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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Please accept my comments suggesting that the settlement proposed by Microsoft, the DOJ, and 9 states, be accepted without modification.

This case has gone on now for several years. During those years consumers have enjoyed lower and lower pricing, increased performance and capabilities of both hardware and software, and what can only be described as the fruits of competition on every front.

To suggest that there isn't competition in the OS market is silly: just walk down the isles of any computer store and look at the dozens of variants of Linux for sale. In Fry's, which is a massive computer store in the Bay Area, you will find more books on Linux than on Windows. The Mac section is also overflowing.

Please don't let this case drag on forever. We consumers are in favor of the settlement and want it to be resolved.

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